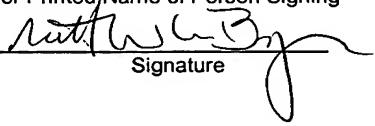


REMARKS

Applicant has canceled claims 1-24, amended versions of which were allowed in the co-pending application. The new claims focus on additional aspects of the invention that are a commercial priority to the assignee. Support for these additional claims may be found throughout the specification as filed, as well as the figures. Specifically, support for these claims may be found in the specification at paragraphs 34-35 and 37. No new matter has been added. All pending claims are believed to be in a condition for allowance. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests an early notice of allowance.

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